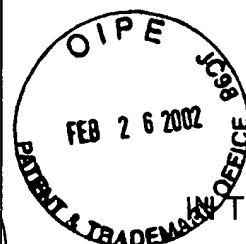
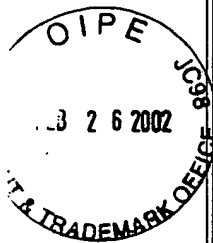


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A copy of each of the listed documents is attached. A copy of a PCT International Search Report from the corresponding PCT application is also attached listing the documents as noted on the attached PTO Form-1449.

Applicants respectfully request that the Examiner consider the listed documents and indicate that they were considered by making appropriate notations on the attached form.

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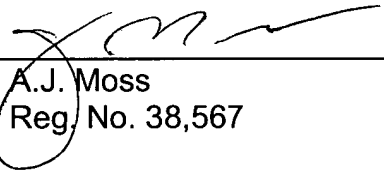
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